



Saint Catherine of Genoa R. C. Church

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ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA~ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC ACADEMY
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Catherine of Genoa parish, “Home of Faith Away From Home”, is to carry out evangelization, to help each and everyone to know and live God’s love in faith and hope, according to the teaching of the Catholic Church.

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Sundays & Holidays by appointment only.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Rev. Raphael Munday Kukana
Parochial Vicar - Rev. Peter Mawusi
Secretary - Mrs. Bernadette Johannes
Director of Religious Education - Ms. Agnes Mills
Email: catherinereligious@outlook.com

EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Weekends: Saturday: 5:00 PM (*English*)
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM (*English*)
1:00 PM (*French & Kreyol*),
5:00 PM (*Twi*)
Weekdays: Monday-Saturday 9:00 AM
Holy Days: 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM (*English-French*)

Catholic Cemeteries: for information and availability
please call (718) 894-4888.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Catholics should be officially registered in a Parish. Call the Rectory to register and use the offering envelopes as a sign of your commitment.

PARISH WEBSITE:

<https://stcatherinegenoabrooklyn.com>
See what’s new and get the information you may need.



“Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.” Acts 2:3

SACRAMENTS: are celebrations of the faith community. It is important that our members be registered and participate fully and regularly in the sacramental life of the parish.

R.C.I.A. is the Adult Preparation for Sacraments. For more information please call the Rectory (718) 282-7162.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
(**CONFESSION**) Saturday at 4:00 PM or by Appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please contact the rectory for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

BAPTISM: is celebrated every 3rd Saturday of the month at 2:30 PM. Baptism Class is offered on the 2nd Saturday of the month for parents and godparents in the rectory basement at 12 Noon. Please call the rectory to register for baptism.

May 19, 2024 - Pentecost Sunday - Year B

SATURDAY, MAY 18 *Weekly Mass Intentions*

9:00 AM Ms. Sonia Peñafiel (d)

5:00 PM THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 19

8:00 AM B.B. Kenny Antoine — Veronica Antoine

8:00 AM B.B. Edith Ogle

8:00 AM God's blessing upon Marie Martin — Corine Liverpool

8:00 AM Christine George (d) — Esther George

8:00 AM Rose Roberts (d) — Veronica Antoine

8:00 AM Jean Nelson (d) — Portia Nelson

11:00 AM **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

1:00 PM B.B. Roland Duclervil — Marie Jean-Pierre

1:00 PM B.B. Alix Desormeau — Gislène Desormeau & family

5:00 PM Ghanaian Apostolate

MONDAY, MAY 20

9:00 AM

TUESDAY, MAY 21

9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

9:00 AM

THURSDAY, MAY 23

9:00 AM For the deceased who have no one to pray for them

FRIDAY, MAY 24

9:00 AM Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Ahlemeyer

SATURDAY, MAY 25

9:00 AM For the souls in purgatory

5:00 PM 41st Anniv. of Melodias Romanticas — Fred Price

5:00 PM Aimable Augustin Alexis (d) — Mr./Mrs. Herol Alexis

SUNDAY, MAY 26

8:00 AM Celiana Joseph (d), Rasamene Zetrenne (d) — the family

8:00 AM Yva Hambourg (d) — (children) Marc Antoine, Carline Legros & Gladys Hambourg

11:00 AM

1:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

5:00 PM Ghanaian Apostolate

MAY MONTH SPONSORSHIP OF BREAD, WINE & FLOWERS



Veronica Antoine, Ernest Baah, Immacula Dabel, Doris St. Rose and three faithful.



Marthe Aurelien, Maria Charles, Immacula Dabel, Gislène Desormeau, Merle Gibbs, Rebecca Marfo, Doris St. Rose, Yverose Theodore and Anne Williams.

Weekly Collections

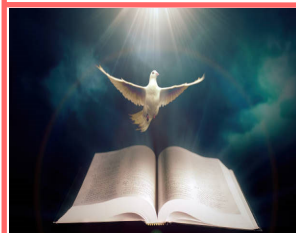
Mass	#	May 11th & 12th		Amount \$
Saturday	24	5:00 PM	ENGLISH	138.00
Sunday	68	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	1,685.00
	72	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	811.00
	63	1:00 PM	KREYOL	772.00
	44	5:00 PM	TWI	494.00
			Mail-In	1,114.00
TOTAL	271			\$5,014.00

Please remember that our parish needs your weekly support. **Our weekly expenses goal is \$5,432.00.** You may mail-in, give online or drop-off your contributions at the rectory. Thank you for your generous support.

SANCTUARY LAMP

burns this week in memory of

- ◆ Reynold Bishop
- ◆ Souls in Purgatory



Readings for the 7th Week in Ordinary Time

Pentecost Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1ab, 24ac, 29bc-30, 31, 34; 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Monday *The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church:*

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1b-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday *St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs:* Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday *St. Rita of Cascia, Rel:* Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday *St. Bede the Venerable, Priest, Dr. of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de 'Pazzi, Virgin:* Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

Next Week: The Most Holy Trinity

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

From the Pastor's Desk



My dear parishioners,

We are celebrating on this Sunday the solemnity of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. A couple of Sundays ago, we heard about the promise the Lord Jesus made to the disciples to send them another Advocate, the Spirit of truth. That promise is fulfilled in this feast of Pentecost. In the Hebrew tradition, Pentecost was the feast of first fruits or the festival of harvest, celebrated 50 days after Passover. That is why the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles mentions that "there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem" (Acts 2:5). These pilgrims most likely came to celebrate Passover and Pentecost in Jerusalem. Now they become witnesses to something new. They hear the disciples speaking in tongues of the mighty deeds of God. Therefore, Pentecost takes a new meaning for the disciples and for the Church. Pentecost becomes the celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit who causes wonder and awe, in our hearts, of the mighty deeds of God. We know that Pentecost was really the birthday of the Church. As the Lord breathed on the disciples, he gave them new life and new vigor for the mission. It reminds us of the story of creation when God breathed on Adam and Eve, and they became living beings.

With the help and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Church expanded and continues to do so for the salvation of the whole world. We all need the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives, so that we may truly live out our faith. Pentecost should be an everyday Christian experience. The same Spirit who descended upon the disciples is the same Spirit we received on the day of our baptism and confirmation, and it is the same Spirit we receive every time we celebrate the sacraments. If we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us, then God can use us as His instruments to truly renew the face of the earth, as the responsorial psalm tells us. Let us pray this prayer often for our own renewal and for the renewal of the whole Church.

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen."

God bless you always.

Fr. Raphael Munday
Pastor

Sponsorship OF CHAIRS & TABLES

We thank those who have already provided monetary donations towards the purchase of Chairs and Tables for our Parish Hall.

Parishioners who would like to sponsor a chair or table are invited to do so.

Every parish group or society is encouraged to sponsor at least one (1) table and ten (10) chairs.

Donation: Chair \$50 Table \$150

Amount received:\$5,260.00

Sick & Shut-in



Pray For The Sick

Kofi; Cloude! Aimé; George Aimé;
Kwame Adu-Sarpong; Rosaline Archer;
Thomas Asante; Alice Baffoe; Elzire Barosy;
Emma Bedeau; Ralene Caton; Kay Celestine;
Medel Chavanne; Rose Crouch;
Albertha Debrostomas; Lydia Desarmes;
Elizabeth Donkor; Wilma Dufresne;
Margaret Agyeman Dumfeh; Vilma Dufresne;
Leila Felix; Lorna Fyffe; Ann Marie Gay;
Margaret Goddard; Miguel Gray; Delroy Green;
Patricia Griffith; Jaylan Henry; Roselaure Jean;
Renata Jordan; Alice Laguerre; Lincoln Laguerre;
Reginald Laroche; Dewey Lawler; Irene Lee;
Jocelin Mangurat; Marie Martin;
Pierre Chancy Mizile; Cynthia McCallum;
Catherine McQueen; Mercy Marboah Mensah;
Ermance Marcenat; Viviane Paccaud;
Colin Palmer; April Pearce; Bernard Pearce;
Jennifer Perce; Lyonel Pearce; Travis Pearce;
Eunice Quashie; Elwyn Quirk;
Juanita Robinson; Marlon Roberts; Pauline Smith;
Roswell St. Talbord; Kerby Theodore;
Joyce Thomas; Marjorie Thomas; Taj Thomas;
Kayla & Kaylee Uwuigbe and Amy Wiles.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year **St. Catherine of Genoa** and the Diocese of Brooklyn engage in the **Annual Catholic Appeal** which supports Catholic programs throughout Brooklyn and Queens and affects the lives of countless individuals and families living in our neighborhoods in addition to benefiting our parish. The Annual Catholic Appeal makes possible those programs that no one parish could do alone.

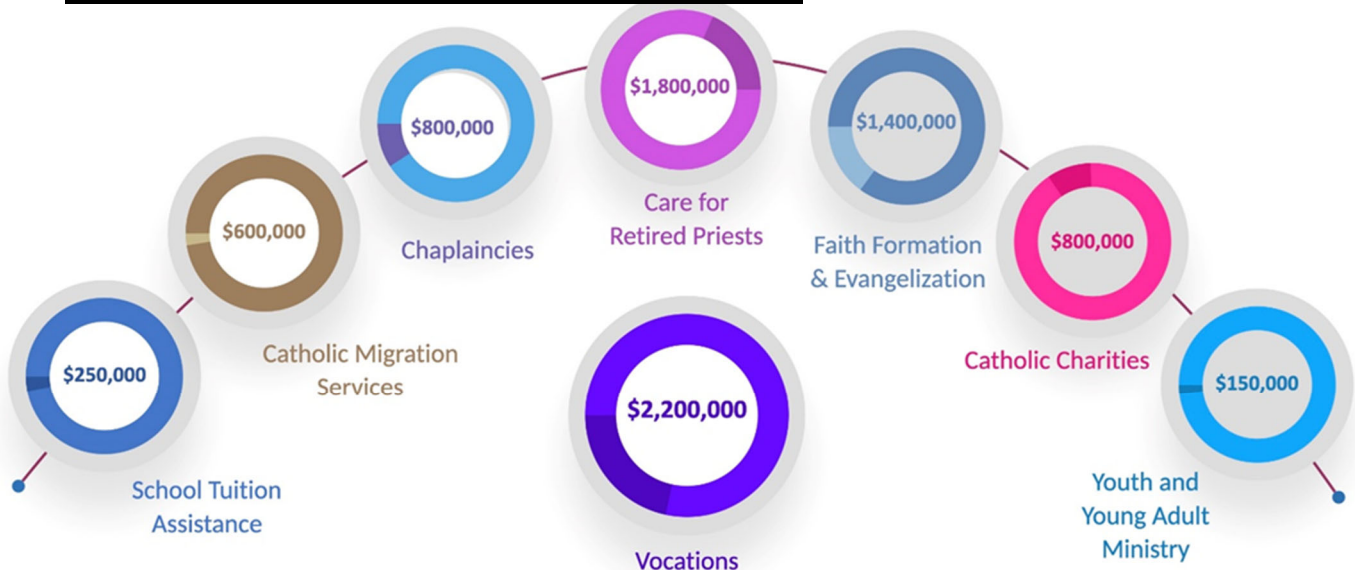
Why is your participation important?

As followers of Jesus here at **St. Catherine of Genoa** we understand our responsibility to our parish implies a responsibility to the diocese which unites us together with the entire Catholic community as the one body of Christ.

When one part of the body does not participate, the entire body suffers and makes it harder to function. Likewise, your participation in this Appeal, over and above your regular Sunday offering, will determine the ability of **St. Catherine of Genoa** to faithfully support the mission of Christ while also providing the needed support we receive as one parish, which is part of the larger Catholic Church.

Please join us to respond as the Church of Christ called to Communion, Participation & Mission in Brooklyn and Queens through a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** today at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or text **DONATE** to **917-336-1255**

What does the Annual Catholic Appeal Support?



The **Annual Catholic Appeal** seeks to raise a minimum of \$8 million to provide programs and ministries throughout the Diocese and support the local efforts of parishes like ours.

The goal at St. Catherine of Genoa is
\$46,139.00

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100% of all funds raised above this figure directly back to our parish.

For questions regarding the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, or to schedule an appointment to make a gift to the parish, please contact the **Parish Office – 718-282-7162**

Called to Communion, Participation & Mission.

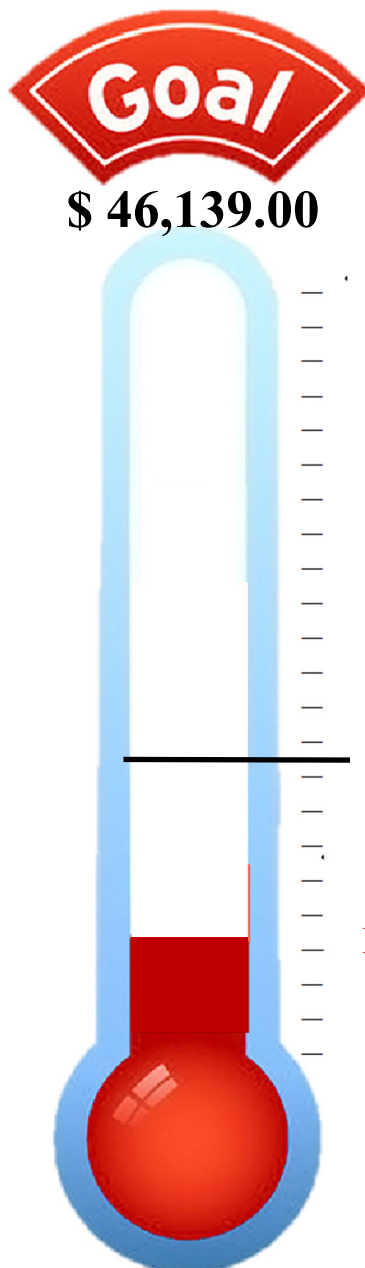


Called to **Communion,** **Participation & Mission**

ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA ACA PARISH GOAL: \$46,139.00

PLEDGED: \$17,270.00

RECEIVED: \$7,270.00



I would like to thank all those generous individuals who have made a pledge to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal at our Parish.

If you are still considering your donation, please complete a donation envelope at the entrance of the church and hand it in by June 1st or Text DONATE to 917-336-1255 today.



WAYS TO DONATE:

- Please scan the above QR
- Complete a Pledge Envelope located at the Church entrance
- Pledge Online at:

www.AnualCatholicAppeal.org

SACREMENTS : Les sacrements sont des célébrations de la communauté de foi. Il est important que nos membres soient inscrits pour participer pleinement et régulièrement à la vie sacramentelle de la paroisse.

R.C.I.A. est la préparation des adultes aux sacrements. Pour plus d'informations, veuillez appeler le Presbytère.

SACREMENT DE RECONCILIATION :

Samedi à 16h00 ou sur Rendez-vous.

SACREMENT DE MARIAGE :

Les dispositions relatives au mariage doivent être prises au moins six mois avant la date du mariage. Veuillez contacter le presbytère pour des informations complètes sur la préparation au mariage dans le diocèse.

PARRAINAGE DU MOIS D'MAI

Vous êtes invités à parrainer du pain et du vin pour la messe, des nappes d'autel et les fleurs pour décorer les autels. Merci à tous.



Commémorez vos proches et participez aux activités financières de la paroisse. Chaque don de **feuilles \$500**. Le paiement peut être effectué en plusieurs tranches.

Inscrit « *À la tendre mémoire de* (nom d'un être cher) *donné par* (personne/famille/organisation/société).

Le cout pour les articles de spécialité **Glands (\$750), Pierres (\$850) ou mini-arbre (\$1000)**.

Aidez-nous à faire pousser notre arbre. Il y reste beaucoup d'opportunités pour participer à cette activité spéciale !



Le 11 & 12 Mai

\$ 5,014.00

La Quête

N'oubliez pas que notre paroisse a besoin de votre soutien hebdomadaire. Notre objectif hebdomadaire est de **\$5,432.00**. Vous pouvez envoyer par la poste, donner en ligne ou déposer au presbytère. Merci pour votre générosité.

Dimanche de la Pentecôte

Chers frères et sœurs,

Nous célébrons en ce dimanche la solennité de la Pentecôte, la venue du Saint-Esprit sur les disciples. Il y a quelques dimanches, nous avons entendu parler de la promesse que le Seigneur Jésus a faite aux disciples de leur envoyer un autre Défenseur, l'Esprit de vérité. Cette promesse s'accomplit en cette fête de Pentecôte. Dans la tradition hébraïque, la Pentecôte était la fête des prémices ou la fête des récoltes, célébrée 50 jours après Pâque. C'est pourquoi la première lecture des Actes des Apôtres mentionne qu'« *il y avait, résidant à Jérusalem, des Juifs religieux, venant de toutes les nations sous le ciel* » (Actes 2 : 5). Ces pèlerins étaient venus très probablement célébrer la Pâque et la Pentecôte à Jérusalem. Désormais, ils deviennent témoins de quelque chose de nouveau. Ils entendent les disciples parler en langues des merveilles de Dieu. La Pentecôte prend donc un nouveau sens pour les disciples et pour l'Église. La Pentecôte devient la célébration de la descente du Saint-Esprit qui suscite l'émerveillement et la crainte, dans nos cœurs, des actions puissantes de Dieu. Nous savons que la Pentecôte était en réalité la naissance de l'Église. En soufflant sur les disciples, le Seigneur leur a donné une nouvelle vie et une nouvelle vigueur pour la mission. Cela nous rappelle l'histoire de la création lorsque Dieu a soufflé sur Adam et Ève et qu'ils sont devenus des êtres vivants.

Avec l'aide et la direction du Saint-Esprit, l'Église s'est développée et continue de le faire pour le salut du monde entier. Nous avons tous besoin de l'action du Saint-Esprit dans nos vies, afin de vivre véritablement notre foi. La Pentecôte devrait être une expérience chrétienne quotidienne. Le même Esprit qui est descendu sur les disciples est le même Esprit que nous avons reçu le jour de notre baptême et de notre confirmation, et c'est le même Esprit que nous recevons chaque fois que nous célébrons les sacrements. Si nous laissons le Saint-Esprit nous guider, alors Dieu peut nous utiliser comme instruments pour véritablement renouveler la face de la terre, comme nous le dit le psaume responsorial. Prions souvent cette prière pour notre propre renouveau et pour le renouveau de toute l'Église.

« *Viens Esprit Saint, remplis le cœur de tes fidèles et allume en eux le feu de ton amour.*

Envoie, Seigneur, ton Esprit et tout sera créé. Et tu renouvelleras la face de la terre.

Seigneur notre Dieu, par l'illumination de l'Esprit Saint, tu as instruit les cœurs de tes fidèles ; Rends-nous docile à ton Esprit pour apprécier ce qui est juste et donne-nous d'éprouver toujours le réconfort de sa présence. Par le Christ Notre Seigneur. Amen. »

Que Dieu vous bénisse toujours.

Père Raphaël Munday
Curé

MEMORIAL TREE OF LIFE



Memorialize your loved one (s) in our Tree of Life

Inscription reads: “ *In loving memory of* (name of loved one)
donated by (person/family/organization/society).

Donations for the various items:

Leaf (\$500). Acorns (\$750), Stones (\$850) or mini-tree (\$1000).

Payments can be made in installments.

Please call or stop by the office to make your reservation.

MONTHLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:00 AM Grenadian Society — May 26
3:00 PM French Legion of Mary — Weekly

6:30 PM Ghanaian Gentlemen — May 19

Monday

7:30 PM English Choir Weekly

Thursday

10:30 AM **PANTRY — May 30**
8:00 PM HOLY HOUR – Weekly

Pope Francis has designated this year to Parish Eucharistic Revival. Come recover a sense of awe and adoration before the Eucharist, adore Jesus’ real presence.

Friday

6:00 PM French Choir — weekly

Saturday

9:00 AM **Healing Mass — May 25**
10:00 AM Girl Scouts – Weekly Meeting
5:00 PM St. Theresa of the Child Jesus — May 25

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Please keep in your prayers the seminarians being ordained to the priesthood on **Saturday June 1st at 11am at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral.**



2. The **Rosary Society Annual Luncheon is next Saturday, May 25 from 1:00pm— 5:00pm.** If you have not yet purchased your ticket there are still a few available from a society member. **Tickets are \$60.** Come and enjoy Good Food, Music, Prizes & Surprises.
3. **Sight & Sound final payments are due this weekend.**
4. **Annual Catholic Appeal Envelopes are located at the church entrance** for anyone who has not made a pledge or to make a payment. Kindly place in the collection basket at the Mass you attend. Thanks for your continued support and generosity.
5. **Sunday, June 2, 2024 is the Feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi).** There will be a Mass at 8:00am and one Tri-Lingual Mass at 11:00am followed by a street procession of the Blessed Sacrament. **Persons who would like to host a Blessed Sacrament Station are asked to call the rectory** so that the procession route could be planned along with police escort.
6. **BBQ tickets for the Annual Parish BBQ** are on sale after all weekend Masses and are also available at the Rectory. The Annual BBQ will take place on **June 29 from 5-9pm** in the Church Parking Lot.
Tickets: Adults \$30.00
Youth/Seniors \$25.00
7. Our monthly **Healing Mass** will take place next **Saturday May 25 at 9:00AM.** Invite or accompany someone who is in need of healing.

PARISH REGISTRATION

All parishioners are encouraged to register. We are only able to give recommendations to those who are registered for at least **6 MONTHS**. Please register (or update your information if you have recently moved or gotten married) with the form below. Place the form in the collection basket or drop off at the rectory. We will send you weekly collection envelopes every two months.

Family Name: _____

Head of Household: _____

Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Apartment# _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

New Registration Moving Out of the Parish

Change of Name: _____

New Address: _____

Apartment # _____ Zip Code: _____



Girl Scouts meet at
St. Catherine of Genoa
on **Saturdays at 10am in**
the newly renovated
Parish Hall.

MEETINGS ON SATURDAYS

Please contact Mrs. Alistine Aikins at
(718) 346-1923.

Ages :Girls Kindergarten to 12th grade.

BISHOP'S PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*(Composed by
The Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan)*

Almighty God, we turn to you at this hour with all our hearts. Hear our prayer as we ask for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life to serve your Church in Brooklyn and Queens.

May we always have the ministers we need to stand at Your Altars, administer Your Sacraments, and lead Your people on the path to Heaven.

We pray that we will always be attentive to Your Call and that if today we hear Your Voice, we may not harden our hearts; rather, that we have the courage to respond with generosity. *Amen*

**VOCATION OFFICE
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN
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Rev. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director**



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